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SUBJECT: SOVIETS REPORT SECRET CLAUSE IN INDO-BANGLADESH
FRIENDSHIP TREATY

1. THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION HAS A REPORT FROM THE SOVIET COUNSELOR ANDREI FIALKOVSKY THAT ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE BANGLADESH HIGH-LEVEL DELEGATION WHICH VISITED NEW DELHI THE FIRST WEEK OF DECEMBER WAS TO OBTAIN FROM THE INDIANS AGREEMENT TO DROP A SECRET CLAUSE IN THE INDO-BANGLADESH FRIENDSHIP TREATY. THIS CLAUSE ALLEGEDLY PROVIDES THE INDIAN ARMY WITH ACCESS TO BANGLADESH UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES. THE BRITISH HERE BELIEVE FIALKOVSKY IS CONVINCED THE INFORMATION HE PASSED TO THE HIGH COMMISSION IS ACCURATE.

2. WE HAVE NO INFORMATIONSON ANY SUCH CLAUSE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S AND DACCA'S EVALUATION OF THE SOVEIT REPORT.
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